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Section 17
Economic Commission for Europe

Overview

17.1 The terms of reference of the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) were established by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 36 (IV) of 28 March 1947.

17.2 Developments in the region have given rise to a sharp increase in ECE membership, from 34 to 55 countries, in a short space of time. The economies of at least half of these members are in transition, and they bring new needs and tasks to ECE. While the increase in membership has had an impact on all activities of ECE, it is most noticeable in the area of economic analysis, through which ECE fosters debate at the national level among policy makers about the pace and scope of reform and the process of transformation.

17.3 The primary objectives of ECE for the biennium 1996-1997, in response to the ongoing political and economic changes in the countries of central and eastern Europe, are the integration of these and other less developed countries in the region into the European and global economy and the consolidation of reforms. Special attention will be given to the areas of environment, transport, statistics, trade facilitation and economic analysis and to programme activities in other areas that are especially linked to those themes.

17.4 The cornerstone of ECE's work on integration is its harmonization of norms and standards, the development of new infrastructures, the elaboration of guides and the negotiation of binding legal instruments. The increase in membership will also entail significant expansion of work on trade facilitation, environmental protection and transport, particularly in assisting institutions and monitoring mechanisms to apply region-wide norms and agreements.

17.5 In implementing its programme of work, ECE will continue to coordinate and cooperate with relevant specialized agencies and entities of the United Nations system and will continue to maintain close collaboration with intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and, in economic and environmental matters, in particular with OSCE.

Table 17.1 **Summary of requirements by programme**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Programme		1992-1993 expenditures	1994-1995 appropriations	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1996-1997 estimates
				Amount	Percentage			
A.	Policy-making organs	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
B.	Executive direction and management	2 659.6	2 618.5	410.2	15.6	3 028.7	189.1	3 217.8
C.	Programme of work	34 108.7	40 637.7	(145.5)	(0.3)	40 492.2	2 627.8	43 120.0
D.	Programme support	3 027.2	4 123.1	75.4	1.8	4 198.5	256.4	4 454.9
	Total	**39 795.5**	**47 379.3**	**340.1**	**0.7**	**47 719.4**	**3 073.3**	**50 792.7**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	1994-1995 estimates	Source of funds	1996-1997 estimates
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
372.7	579.0	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	492.8
		(b) Substantive activities	
87.0	121.0	Trust Fund for Human Settlements	140.0
2 814.8	4 013.0	Trust Fund for the Financing of the of the Implementation of the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution	4 349.8
729.8	593.0	Trust Fund "Energy Efficiency 2000"	650.0
9.8	10.7	Trust Fund for the ECE Study on Long-term Timber Trends and Prospects	10.0
8.4	—	Trust Fund for Electronic Data Interchange for Administration, Commerce and Transport	50.0
61.0	610.0	Trust Fund for Assistance to Countries in Transition	600.0
—	158.0	Trust Fund for the ECE Regional Preparatory Meeting for the Fourth World Conference on Women	—
—	248.0	Trust Fund for Support to ECE Regional Conferences and Meetings, including Preparatory Meetings for Global Conferences	340.0
—	202.0	Trust Fund for Environmental Performance Reviews and Environment for Europe	—
268.2	—	Trust Fund on the Steel Industry — Structural Change and Development	—
		(c) Operational projects	
1 286.8	1 829.6	UNFPA	6 385.8
179.8	200.0	UNDP	—
222.5	23.0	UNEP	—
105.5	2 311.2	Technical cooperation trust funds	1 989.4
6 146.3	**10 898.5**		**15 007.8**
45 941.8	**58 277.8**		**65 800.5**

Table 17.2 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	38 335.8	45 204.8	265.6	0.5	45 470.4	2 955.7	48 426.1
Other staff costs	128.9	158.2	(10.0)	(6.3)	148.2	7.6	155.8
Consultants and experts	266.5	389.1	(38.3)	(9.8)	350.8	18.5	369.3
Travel	386.8	613.3	15.6	2.5	628.9	32.5	661.4
Contractual services	134.8	345.7	(142.8)	(41.3)	202.9	9.9	212.8
General operating expenses	145.8	209.9	150.0	71.4	359.9	18.6	378.5
Supplies and materials	65.6	90.4	—	—	90.4	4.6	95.0
Equipment	331.0	367.9	100.0	27.1	467.9	25.9	493.8
Other expenditures	0.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	**39 795.5**	**47 379.3**	**340.1**	**0.7**	**47 719.4**	**3 073.3**	**50 792.7**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Object of expenditure*	*1996-1997 estimates*
1 129.0	2 082.9	Posts	4 393.1
631.2	1 002.7	Other staff costs	1 840.4
155.6	491.1	Consultants and experts	423.7
425.0	763.4	Travel	666.0
194.4	325.0	Contractual services	354.0
254.0	241.3	General operating expenses	220.1
1.2	38.0	Supplies and materials	43.5
11.7	21.8	Furniture	2.8
139.6	185.2	Equipment	191.2
3 204.6	5 747.1	Other expenditures	6 873.0
6 146.3	**10 898.5**		**15 007.8**
45 941.8	**58 277.8**		**65 800.5**

Table 17.3 **Post requirements**

Organizational unit: Economic Commission for Europe

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
USG	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
D-2	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
D-1	9	9	—	—	—	—	9	9
P-5	20	21	—	—	1	4	21	25
P-4/3	63	64	—	—	8	11	71	75
P-2/1	22	22	—	—	2	3	24	25
Total	**116**	**118**	**—**	**—**	**11**	**18**	**127**	**136**
General Service category								
Principal level	7	7	—	—	—	—	7	7
Other levels	86	86	—	—	2	10	88	96
Total	**93**	**93**	**—**	**—**	**2**	**10**	**95**	**103**
Grand total	**209**	**211**	**—**	**—**	**13**	**28**	**222**	**239**

17.6 The estimated percentage distribution of the total resources of ECE in 1996-1997 would be as follows:

		Regular budget	*Extra-budgetary*
		(percentage)	
A.	Policy-making organs	—	—
B.	Executive direction and management	6.3	—
C.	Programme of work	84.9	90.5
D.	Programme support	8.8	9.5
	Total	**100.0**	**100.0**

17.7 Resources for administration, conference and general services for ECE are, unlike other regional commissions, not included under its own programme budget. They are, as is the case for other United Nations entities at Geneva, included in a consolidated fashion under section 26F, United Nations Office at Geneva, in respect of administration and general services, and under section 26E, Conference services, in respect of conference-servicing costs. They are thus administered by the United Nations Office at Geneva in an integrated fashion.

17.8 In order to permit a comparison among regional commissions, while at the same time maintaining the advantages of integrated management and avoiding duplication of effort, the estimated resources (at current rates) to be provided by the United Nations Office at Geneva to ECE for administrative, conference and general services during the biennium 1996-1997 are summarized below:

	United States dollars
Administrative and general services	10 747.5
International Computing Centre	1 408.3
Conference and library services	28 668.9
Total	**40 824.7**

A. Policy-making organs

17.9 The Commission, which reports to the Economic and Social Council, provides overall direction to the work of the secretariat. It meets annually for six working days, supplemented by ad hoc informal sessions of one day every three months. It has 10 principal subsidiary bodies: the Committee on Environmental Policy; the Inland Transport Committee; the Conference of European Statisticians; the Senior Economic Advisers to ECE Governments; the Committee on Energy; the Committee on the Development of Trade; the Senior Advisers to ECE Governments on Science and Technology; the Committee on Agriculture; the Timber Committee; and the Committee on Human Settlements. The Commission also has four working parties that report directly to it on standardization policies; the chemical industry; engineering industries and automation; and steel.

B. Executive direction and management

Table 17.4 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	2 522.6	2 350.9	397.8	16.9	2 748.7	175.3	2 924.0
Consultants and experts	20.0	66.5	(4.8)	(7.2)	61.7	2.8	64.5
Travel	102.9	164.3	—	—	164.3	8.4	172.7
Contractual services	—	20.5	17.2	83.9	37.7	1.7	39.4
General operating expenses	14.1	16.3	—	—	16.3	0.9	17.2
Total	**2 659.6**	**2 618.5**	**410.2**	**15.6**	**3 028.7**	**189.1**	**3 217.8**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
		(b) Substantive activities	
—	158.0	Trust Fund for the ECE Regional Preparatory Meeting for the Fourth World Conference on Women	—
—	—	(c) Operational projects	—
Total	**—**	**158.0**	**—**
Total (1) and (2)	**2 659.6**	**2 776.5**	**3 217.8**

Table 17.5 **Post requirements**

Programme: Executive direction and management

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
USG	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
D-2	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
D-1	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
P-4/3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Total	**4**	**5**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**4**	**5**
General Service category								
Principal level	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other levels	4	5	—	—	—	—	4	5
Total	**5**	**6**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**5**	**6**
Grand total	**9**	**11**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**9**	**11**

17.10 The Office of the Executive Secretary provides overall executive direction, management, policy guidance and leadership for the secretariat to implement the programme of work of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies, including implementation of the resolutions and decisions of the Commission and those of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council which have a bearing on the work of ECE, as well as the directives of the Secretary-General; issuance of policy guidance and directives, with special attention on the harmonization of norms and standards, economic analysis and related technical assistance programmes; coordination of programme oversight, in particular the formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the programme of work; management of ECE strategy for programme planning and activities to respond to emerging needs and priorities of member States of the region; facilitation of inter-agency dialogue on regional needs and opportunities for operative action in the economic and related fields; dissemination of information about the work and activities of ECE; external relations; cooperation with the global programmes of the United Nations; availability of the results of its work to the developing countries of other regions, including in the framework of interregional cooperation; and coordination of work in preparation and follow-up of global conferences and programmes of the United Nations in fields in which ECE is competent and for which it has a mandate.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

17.11 The estimated requirements relate to five posts in the Professional category and above and six General Service posts. It is proposed to redeploy one P-3 post from subprogramme 6, Energy, and one General Service post from subprogramme 9, Agriculture and timber, to strengthen the central mechanism for programme oversight carried out under executive direction and management.

Consultants and experts

17.12 The estimated resources of $61,700, reflecting a reduction of $4,800, include a provision of $27,200 for consultants to provide specialized expertise in a number of areas not falling within individual subprogrammes and for the preparation of a publication for the fiftieth anniversary of ECE, in 1997; and $34,500 for two ad hoc expert groups in relation to new initiatives of the Commission. The reduction of $4,800 reflects a reduction of $21,300 approved on a one-time basis in connection with the preparatory work for the Fourth World Conference on Women, partially offset by an increase of $16,500 for consultants.

Travel

17.13 The estimated requirements of $164,300 would provide for travel of the Executive Secretary and his staff for meetings within or outside the region, consultation with Governments in capitals, especially of newly admitted members, and participation at intergovernmental meetings, as well as maintaining contacts with other international or multilateral organizations and for coordination with other United Nations entities.

Contractual services

17.14 The estimated requirements of $37,700, reflecting an increase of $17,200 proposed to be redeployed from subprogramme 1, Environment, relate to printing and design costs of covers and information brochures, including a publication for the fiftieth anniversary of ECE, in 1997.

General operating expenses

17.15 The estimated requirements of $16,300 relate to group hospitality offered by the Executive Secretary and other senior ECE officials on the occasion of major meetings and to hospitality extended towards delegates, office holders and representatives of member States and international organizations.

C. Programme of work

17.16 Programme 32, Regional cooperation for development in Europe, of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, as revised (A/47/6/Rev.1), provides the framework for the activities to be undertaken by ECE during the biennium 1996-1997. These activities are described under the 10 subprogrammes presented below. The resource distribution of the programme of work may be seen under the relevant subprogrammes.

Table 17.6 **Summary of requirements by programme**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Programme		*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
				Amount	*Percentage*			
1.	Environment	4 437.6	5 957.0	426.0	7.1	6 383.0	416.5	6 799.5
2.	Transport	5 161.5	6 148.8	334.5	5.4	6 483.3	417.7	6 901.0
3.	Statistics	5 585.9	6 720.0	115.8	1.7	6 835.8	437.3	7 273.1
4.	Trade facilitation	689.9	2 044.8	203.1	9.9	2 247.9	144.4	2 392.3
5.	Economic analysis	5 705.3	6 441.4	213.2	3.3	6 654.6	431.5	7 086.1
6.	Energy	3 333.0	3 616.1	(88.3)	(2.4)	3 527.8	238.2	3 766.0
7.	Development of international trade	3 106.2	1 818.7	42.3	2.3	1 861.0	121.1	1 982.1
8.	Industry and technology	2 999.8	4 253.9	(252.9)	(5.9)	4 006.0	259.1	4 265.1
9.	Agriculture and timber	2 104.4	2 476.0	(661.6)	(26.7)	1 814.4	117.6	1 932.0
10.	Human settlements	985.1	1 156.0	(477.6)	(41.3)	678.4	44.4	722.8
	Total	**34 108.7**	**40 637.7**	**(145.5)**	**(0.3)**	**40 492.2**	**2 627.8**	**43 120.0**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	1994-1995 estimates	Source of funds	1996-1997 estimates
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
		(b) Substantive activities	
87.0	121.0	Trust Fund for Human Settlements	140.0
2 814.8	4 013.0	Trust Fund for the Financing of the Implementation of the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution	4 349.8
729.8	593.0	Trust Fund "Energy Efficiency 2000"	650.0
9.8	10.7	Trust Fund for the ECE Study on Long-term Timber Trends and Prospects	10.0
8.4	—	Trust Fund for Electronic Data Interchange for Administration, Commerce and Transport	50.0
—	202.0	Trust Fund for Environmental Performance Reviews and Environment for Europe	—
268.2	—	Trust Fund on the Steel Industry — Structural Change and Development	—
		(c) Operational projects	
1 286.8	1 829.6	UNFPA	6 385.8
179.8	200.0	UNDP	—
222.5	23.0	UNEP	—
105.5	2 311.2	Technical cooperation trust funds	1 989.4
5 712.6	**9 303.5**	**Total**	**13 575.0**
39 821.3	**49 941.2**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**56 695.0**

Table 17.7 Post requirements

Programme of work

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1994-1995	1996-1997	1994-1995	1996-1997	1994-1995	1996-1997	1994-1995	1996-1997
Professional category and above								
D-1	7	7	—	—	—	—	7	7
P-5	20	21	—	—	1	4	21	25
P-4/3	60	59	—	—	7	11	67	70
P-2/1	17	19	—	—	2	3	19	22
Total	**104**	**106**	**—**	**—**	**10**	**18**	**114**	**124**
General Service category								
Principal level	5	5	—	—	—	—	5	5
Other levels	74	73	—	—	1	8	75	81
Total	**79**	**78**	**—**	**—**	**1**	**8**	**80**	**86**
Grand total	**183**	**184**	**—**	**—**	**11**	**26**	**194**	**210**

17.17 Within the programme of work, the estimated percentage distribution of resources among subprogrammes would be as follows:

	Regular budget	*Extra-budgetary*
	(percentage)	
Subprogramme 1 Environment	15.8	32.0
Subprogramme 2 Transport	16.0	3.5
Subprogramme 3 Statistics	16.9	—
Subprogramme 4 Trade facilitation	5.5	.4
Subprogramme 5 Economic analysis	16.4	47.0
Subprogramme 6 Energy	8.7	12.6
Subprogramme 7 Development of international trade	4.6	—
Subprogramme 8 Industry and technology	9.9	3.4
Subprogramme 9 Agriculture and timber	4.5	.1
Subprogramme 10 Human settlements	1.7	1.0
Total	**100.0**	**100.0**

Subprogrammes 1 to 5 have been designated high priority by the General Assembly.

Subprogramme 1
Environment

Table 17.8 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	4 348.5	5 810.3	474.2	8.1	6 284.5	411.2	6 695.7
Other staff costs	1.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consultants and experts	44.8	66.0	(41.0)	(62.1)	25.0	1.7	26.7
Travel	39.7	59.3	14.2	23.9	73.5	3.6	77.1
Contractual services	3.0	21.4	(21.4)	(100.0)	—	—	—
Total	**4 437.6**	**5 957.0**	**426.0**	**7.1**	**6 383.0**	**416.5**	**6 799.5**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
		(b) Substantive activities	
—	202.0	Trust Fund for Environmental Performance Reviews and Environment for Europe	—
2 814.8	4 013.0	Trust Fund for the Financing of the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Pollution	4 349.8
		(c) Operational projects	
222.5	23.0	UNEP	—
3 037.3	**4 238.0**	**Total**	**4 349.8**
7 474.9	**10 195.0**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**11 149.3**

Table 17.9 **Post requirements**

Programme: Environment

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1994-1995	1996-1997	1994-1995	1996-1997	1994-1995	1996-1997	1994-1995	1996-1997
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-5	3	4	—	—	—	—	3	4
P-4/3	11	11	—	—	—	—	11	11
P-2/1	3	3	—	—	—	—	3	3
Total	**18**	**19**	—	—	—	—	**18**	**19**
General Service category								
Other levels	9	10	—	—	—	—	9	10
Total	**9**	**10**	—	—	—	—	**9**	**10**
Grand total	**27**	**29**	—	—	—	—	**27**	**29**

17.18 For the biennium 1996-1997, work in this subprogramme will focus in particular on strengthening regional cooperation through the national environmental performance review programme; the Environment for Europe process; the follow-up to the 1995 Sofia Ministerial Conference on Environment for Europe; elaboration and implementation of regional legally binding instruments in the field of environment, in particular further action on the current Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution concerning Control of Emissions of Nitrogen Oxides or their Transboundary Fluxes; development of legal instruments to reduce emissions of heavy metals and persistent organic pollutants; and expanded activities under the environment conventions in a transboundary context in order to provide ECE countries, especially countries in transition, with the services for capacity-building, legal advice, training and dispute prevention and settlement.

Activities

1. International cooperation

External relations. Consultation and cooperation with the secretariats of other international and multilateral organizations and institutions active in the fields of environment, sustainable development, rational use of natural resources and environmental health issues, in order to promote coordination of work.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation*. Eighteen reports to the Committee on Environmental Policy; 12 reports to the Working Group of Senior Governmental Officials on Environment for Europe; 24 reports to the Executive Body for the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution; 15 reports to the Meeting of the Parties to the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes; 13 reports to the Meeting of Parties to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context; and 15 reports to the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents;

(b) *Substantive services*. Substantive and technical services will be provided to the Executive Body for the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution and its subsidiary machinery; the Meeting of parties to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context; Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents; the meeting of points of contact; the Meeting of Parties to the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes; the Committee on

Environmental Policy; the Working Group of Senior Governmental Officials on Environment for Europe; and a number of subsidiary and ad hoc bodies.

3. Published material

(a) *Sixteen recurrent publications*. (i) Air pollution (2); (ii) national environmental performance reviews (6); (iii) environmental series (2); (iv) water series (2); and (v) revisions to the industrial accidents manual (4);

(b) *Fourteen non-recurrent publications*. (i) Heavy metals protocol (2); (ii) persistent organic pollutants protocol (2); (iii) second step of the Nitrogen Oxides Protocol; (iv) guidelines on public participation in environmental decision-making; (v) guidelines on compliance with environmental conventions; (vi) management of hazardous chemicals; (vii) environmental programme for Europe; (viii) integrated pollution prevention and control; (ix) curricula for the accident training programme; (x) guidelines and criteria for the identification of hazardous activities; (xi) best available technology; and (xii) integrated approach to water demand management and water allocation instruments, including licensing, minimum acceptable water flow and the pricing of water;

(c) *Technical material*. Consolidated calendar of environmental meetings (8).

4. Information materials and services

(a) *Booklets, pamphlets, fact sheets, wall charts and information kits*. Regional cooperation to promote environmental protection and sustainable development (2); national environmental performance review programme; and regional environmental conventions;

(b) *Press releases*. Activities and meetings of the Committee on Environmental Policy; the Working Group of Senior Governmental Officials; and the parties to the environmental conventions and their subsidiary bodies.

5. Operational activities

(a) *Group training, including seminars, workshops and fellowships*. Workshops on environment and economics, environmental impact assessment, industrial accidents, environmentally sound technology, sustainable development and water management, particularly designed for countries in transition; and assistance to the training programme set up by the Regional Coordinating Centre for Industrial Accident Training and Exercises under the Convention on industrial accidents and the Regional Coordinating Centre for Prevention of Industrial Accidents;

(b) *Field projects*. Implementation of the Cooperative Programme for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long-range Transmission of Air Pollutants in Europe in cooperation with the Meteorological Synthesizing Centres East (Moscow), and West (Oslo) and the Chemical Coordinating Centre (Oslo). In addition, the secretariat and the Department for Development Support and Management Services will jointly design and implement two transboundary-water pilot projects, which will involve technical, legal and institutional inputs for the sustainability, maintenance and improvement of aquatic ecosystems.

6. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Liaison and cooperation with entities and organizations of the United Nations system, in particular UNEP and the Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development, and other international organizations active in the field of the environment.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

17.19 The estimated requirements relate to 19 posts in the Professional category and above and 10 General Service posts. It is proposed to redeploy one P-5 and one General Service post from subprogramme 10, Human settlements to supplement the existing resources assisting the Working Group of Senior Governmental Officials on Environment for Europe and the Committee on Environmental Policy.

Consultants and experts

17.20 The estimated requirements of $25,000, would provide for specialized expertise to assist the secretariat in the preparation of parliamentary documentation and in promoting the implementation of the environment conventions.

Travel

17.21 The estimated requirements of $73,500 relate largely to the full-scale implementation of the environmental performance review programme and the growing need for secretariat participation in consultations and meetings organized by Governments and international organizations in order to ensure that environment programmes are coordinated and governmental policies are supported, particularly in the Environment for Europe process.

Subprogramme 2
Transport

Table 17.10 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	5 025.7	5 864.9	397.8	6.7	6 262.7	406.6	6 669.3
Consultants and experts	32.4	38.3	14.2	37.0	52.5	2.6	55.1
Travel	58.4	67.9	4.3	6.3	72.2	3.8	76.0
Contractual services	45.0	177.7	(81.8)	(46.0)	95.9	4.7	100.6
Total	**5 161.5**	**6 148.8**	**334.5**	**5.4**	**6 483.3**	**417.7**	**6 901.0**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
		(c) Operational projects	
96.0	407.5	Technical cooperation trust funds	470.0
179.8	—	UNDP	—
275.8	**407.5**	**Total**	**470.0**
5 437.3	**6 556.3**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**7 371.0**

Table 17.11 **Post requirements**

Programme: Transport

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-5	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
P-4/3	10	11	—	—	—	—	10	11
P-2/1	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
Total	**15**	**16**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**15**	**16**
General Service category								
Principal level	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other levels	11	12	—	—	—	—	11	12
Total	**12**	**13**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**12**	**13**
Grand total	**27**	**29**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**27**	**29**

17.22 The objectives of the subprogramme are to (a) promote and strengthen cooperation and coordination among ECE Governments in the field of inland transport; (b) harmonize and improve norms and standards in the field of inland transport; (c) promote the facilitation of border crossings in international road, rail and inland waterway transport; (d) promote the coordinated development of international transport infrastructure networks; (e) pursue the objectives of sustainable development; (f) promote, elaborate, administer and, where appropriate, revise international legal instruments; (h) monitor the implementation of legal instruments, particularly in ECE member countries in transition; (i) collect and analyse data concerning developments, trends and issues in the field of transport in the ECE region; and (j) promote the integration of countries in transition by means of advice and assistance in developing their transport systems and infrastructure.

17.23 Activities in the biennium 1994-1995 focused on the development of legal instruments as follows: finalization of 2 new legal instruments, bringing to 50 the number of ECE legal instruments in the field of transport; elaboration and publication of amendments to the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road and the ninth revision of the recommendations of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; and finalization of 7 new regulations to be annexed to the 1958 Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Conditions of Approval and Reciprocal Recognition of Approval for Motor Vehicle Equipment and Parts, and amendment of 30 existing ones as well as of the 1958 Agreement itself. The infrastructure agreements for road, rail and combined transport were adapted to the new political and economic situation in the region; and the first inventory of existing infrastructure parameters in the road and combined transport networks was carried out. Other activities included the organization of the second Road Safety Week and the preparation for the 1995 census of motor traffic on main international traffic arteries (E-roads).

17.24 Work in the biennium 1996-1997 will continue to focus on the promotion, elaboration, administration and revision of legal instruments in the field of transport. The areas of work will continue to be the construction of vehicles, transport of dangerous goods, road traffic safety, infrastructures and combined transport. Priority attention will also be given to the field of customs questions affecting transport and to the preparation, organization and follow-up to the Regional Conference on Transport and the Environment to be convened in 1996.

Activities

1. International cooperation

(a) *Promotion of legal instruments*. Under the guidance of the Inland Transport Committee, contribution to the promotion, elaboration, updating and administration of legal instruments;

(b) *External relations*. Cooperation and liaison in the field of transport with international governmental and non-governmental institutions and organizations.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation*. Submission of 130 reports and other documentation to the Inland Transport Committee; 6 reports to the Regional Conference on Transport and the Environment; and 3 reports to the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and its subsidiary body;

(b) *Substantive services*. Substantive and technical services will be provided to the Inland Transport Committee and its working parties and groups of experts; the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and its Subcommittee; and the Regional Conference on Transport and the Environment and meetings of its Preparatory Committee.

3. Published material

(a) *Six recurrent publications*. (i) Transport information; (ii) E-road census; (iii) TIR handbook; (iv) recommendations on the transport of dangerous goods, test and criteria; (v) European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road; and (vi) European Provisions concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways;

(b) *Sixteen non-recurrent publications*. (i) Inventory of existing railway line standards and parameters; (ii) inventory of existing combined transport standards and parameters; (iii) inventory of existing road standards and parameters; (iv) compendium on safe storage of cargo in containers; (v) revision of the 1968 Convention on Road Signs and Signals; (vi) European agreement on main inland waterways of international importance; (vii) European code for inland waterways; (viii) role of the Working Party on the Construction of Vehicles; (ix) standardized vocabulary for inland navigation; (x) Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Conditions of Approval and Reciprocal Recognition of Approval for Motor Vehicle Equipment and Parts (revision 2); (xi) environmental performance of road vehicles; (xii) map of the European road network; (xiii) acts and decisions to be taken at the 1996 Regional Conference on Transport and the Environment; (xiv) Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs; and (xv) glossary for transport statistics (2);

(c) *Technical material*. (i) Technical regulations for road vehicles and their amendments (2); (ii) amendments to the 1958 Agreement on construction of motor vehicles and parts and its annexed regulations (80); and (iii) computerization of technical regulations.

4. Information materials and services

(a) Booklets, pamphlets, fact sheets, wall charts and information kits. Information kits on the recommendations on the transport of dangerous goods and ECE activities in the field;

(b) *Press releases*. Press releases on the activities and meetings of the Inland Transport Committee and other important events related to the work of its subsidiary bodies.

5. Operational activities

(a) *Group training, including seminars, workshops and fellowships*. Four workshops will be organized under the auspices of the Inland Transport Committee on restructuring of railways, privatization of the transport sector, development of combined transport and development of inland waterway transport;

(b) *Field projects*. Trans-European north-south motorway (XB); and trans-European railway (XB).

6. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Coordination, harmonization and liaison in the field of transport will be undertaken in the context of the programme of work of the Inland Transport Committee with related activities undertaken by organizations of the United Nations system.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

17.25 The estimated requirements relate to 16 posts in the Professional category and above and 13 General Service posts. It is proposed to strengthen the staff resources under this subprogramme to service the new tasks associated with the elaboration, implementation and monitoring of ECE transport agreements through the redeployment of one P-3 post from subprogramme 5, Economic analysis, and one General Service post from subprogramme 9, Agriculture and timber.

Consultants and experts

17.26 The estimated requirements of $52,500, reflecting an increase of $14,200, relate to the expertise required to assist in the design and establishment of a system of document computerization and for the follow-up to the 1996 Regional Conference on Transport and the Environment, preparation of parliamentary documentation, and revision of international instruments on road safety.

Travel

17.27 The estimated requirements of $72,200, reflecting an increase of $4,300, relate to the need for the secretariat to participate in coordination meetings and consultations with Governments and intergovernmental bodies within and outside the region.

Contractual services

17.28 The estimated requirements of $95,900 relate to the printing of the recommendations of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, and covers of the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road and other publications.

Subprogramme 3
Statistics

Table 17.12 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	5 478.1	6 592.7	112.5	1.7	6 705.2	430.5	7 135.7
Consultants and experts	31.6	46.8	—	—	46.8	2.4	49.2
Travel	72.9	65.4	7.5	11.4	72.9	3.8	76.7
Contractual services	—	10.4	(4.2)	(40.3)	6.2	0.2	6.4
Supplies and materials	3.3	4.7	—	—	4.7	0.4	5.1
Total	**5 585.9**	**6 720.0**	**115.8**	**1.7**	**6 835.8**	**437.3**	**7 273.1**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
		(c) Operational projects	
—	200.0	UNDP	—
Total	**—**	**200.0**	**—**
Total (1) and (2)	**5 585.9**	**6 920.0**	**7 273.1**

Table 17.13 **Post requirements**

Programme: Statistics

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-5	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
P-4/3	8	9	—	—	—	—	8	9
P-2/1	4	4	—	—	—	—	4	4
Total	**15**	**16**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**15**	**16**
General Service category								
Principal level	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other levels	16	16	—	—	—	—	16	16
Total	**17**	**17**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**17**	**17**
Grand total	**32**	**33**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**32**	**33**

17.29 The objectives of the subprogramme are to (a) adapt mandated activities to the needs of countries in transition; (b) collect information and statistics from ECE member States for analytical studies and statistical publications; (c) provide statistical support to activities designated as priorities by the Commission and/or the Conference of European Statisticians; (d) coordinate activities of international institutions and statistical programmes in the region; (e) prepare statistical publications, in particular the *Statistical Journal* and the *Statistical Yearbook*; and (f) facilitate, through meetings convened by the Conference of European Statisticians, the exchange between countries of experience in statistical information technology and problems encountered in collecting, processing, disseminating and analysing economic, social, demographic and environment statistics. Work on this subprogramme is guided by the Conference of European Statisticians.

17.30 During the biennium 1994-1995, progress was made, in particular, in the area of assistance to countries in transition through meetings and missions to evaluate and assist in projects. Several publications have been issued and advice provided on national accounts and other economic statistics to countries in transition. Progress has also been achieved in the coordination of statistical work of the international institutions active in the region, and as a result the statistical activities of other major organizations form part of the programme of work of the Conference of European Statisticians. Efforts have also been concentrated in the areas of macroeconomic and financial statistics and progress has been made on the integration and harmonization of statistical questionnaires and data collection. The Conference is now recognized as the "coordinator of coordinators" of statistical work throughout the region. The Conference and the secretariat are providing direct technical assistance, in close collaboration with OECD and the Commission of the European Communities, IMF, the World Bank and other United Nations entities, including UNDP and the Statistical Division in New York.

Activities

1. International cooperation

External relations. Coordination and liaison of statistical activities undertaken in the programme of work of the Conference of European Statisticians with related activities undertaken by OECD, the Commission of the European Communities, IMF, the World Bank and other international agencies and intergovernmental organizations, notably in the areas of data collection, joint meetings and collaborative assistance to countries in transition.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation*. Thirty-four reports to the Conference of European Statisticians and its subsidiary organs;

(b) *Substantive services*. Substantive and technical services will be provided to the annual sessions of the Conference and its subsidiary bodies, working parties and groups of experts.

3. Published material

(a) *Fourteen recurrent publications*. (i) *Annual Bulletin of Coal Statistics for Europe* (2); (ii) *Annual Bulletin of Electric Energy Statistics for Europe* (2); (iii) *Annual Bulletin of Gas Statistics for Europe* (2); (iv) *Annual Bulletin of Housing and Building Statistics for Europe* (2); (v) *Statistics of Road Traffic Accidents in Europe* (2); (vi) *Annual Bulletin of Transport Statistics for Europe* (2); (vii) annual statistical yearbook, *Trends in Europe and North America* (2); and (viii) *Statistical Journal of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe* (8);

(b) *Four non-recurrent publications*. (i) Statistics of the distribution of income consumption and accumulation of households; (ii) road transport and the environment; (iii) international comparisons of gross domestic product in European countries; and (iv) recommendations for the year 2000 round of population and housing censuses in the ECE region.

4. Operational activities

Group training, including seminars, workshops and fellowships. A number of workshops will be organized within the framework of the work programme of the Conference of European Statisticians on topics of interest to the countries in transition in central and eastern Europe. Priority will also be given to a new ECE/UNDP regional project to increase the capacities of newly independent States and other countries in transition to provide social and demographic statistics on human development.

5. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Coordination and liaison in the context of the programme of work of the Conference of European Statisticians will be undertaken with organizations of the United Nations system and in particular the United Nations Statistical Division, the specialized agencies, the Statistical Office of the Commission of the European Communities (EUROSTAT), OECD and other international organizations.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

17.31 The estimated requirements relate to 16 posts in the Professional category and above and 17 General Service posts. It is proposed to establish one P-3 level post in view of the additional workload generated by the increase in membership in respect of collection, analysis and dissemination of statistical data and standardization of national accounts statistics.

Consultants and experts

17.32 The estimated requirements of $46,800, relate to expertise in the areas of household income statistics and population and housing censuses; statistical data editing and statistical metadata and outputs; environmental accounting, wastes and recycling; as well as expert advice in publications.

Travel

17.33 The estimated requirements of $72,900, reflecting an increase of $7,500, relate to consultations with national statistical offices to support the transition of statistical services in central and eastern European countries, participation of the secretariat in meetings and consultations with OECD, EUROSTAT, intersecretariat working groups, the Administrative Committee on Coordination Subcommittee on Statistical Activities, the Statistical Commission and other international organizations to coordinate the work programme.

Contractual services

17.34 The estimated requirements of $6,200 relate to the cost of printing the covers of *Trends in Europe and North America* and for *Statistical Data Editing Methods and Techniques* (vol. II) in the ECE/Conference of European Statisticians statistical standards and studies series.

Supplies and materials

17.35 The proposed amount of $4,700 would cover the cost of acquisition of special statistical publications and data services produced by national and international statistical services required to support economic research activities.

Subprogramme 4
Trade facilitation

Table 17.14 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	689.0	2 004.0	186.5	9.3	2 190.5	141.2	2 331.7
Consultants and experts	—	3.7	6.0	162.1	9.7	0.8	10.5
Travel	0.9	30.0	10.6	35.3	40.6	2.1	42.7
Contractual services	—	7.1	—	—	7.1	0.3	7.4
Total	**689.9**	**2 044.8**	**203.1**	**9.9**	**2 247.9**	**144.4**	**2 392.3**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
		(b) Substantive activities	
8.4	—	Trust Fund for Electronic Data Interchange for Administration, Commerce and Transport	50.0
—	—	(c) Operational projects	—
8.4	**—**		**50.0**
698.3	**2 044.8**		**2 442.3**

Table 17.15 **Post requirements**

Programme: Trade facilitation

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-5	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-4/3	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
P-2/1	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
Total	**6**	**6**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**6**	**6**
General Service category								
Principal level	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other levels	3	4	—	—	—	—	3	4
Total	**3**	**4**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**3**	**4**
Grand total	**9**	**10**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**9**	**10**

17.36 The objectives of the subprogramme are to (a) promote agreements on basic international standards for the facilitation of interchange of trade data and messages, principally by means of electronic data interchange; (b) develop and manage the United Nations Electronic Data Interchange for Administration, Commerce and Transport (EDIFACT); and (c) develop trade facilitation recommendations through the Working Party on Facilitation of International Trade Procedures with a view to improving the ability of business, trade and administrative organizations to exchange products and relevant services effectively.

17.37 During the biennium 1994-1995, the secretariat continued its work to facilitate international trade procedures by developing standards for electronic data interchange and by mapping and analysing business processes in trade. Technical assistance was provided to countries in transition and a seminar on trade facilitation and countries in transition was held. The secretariat cooperated with the secretariats of UNCTAD and the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT and participated in the United Nations International Symposium on Trade Efficiency. Ongoing activities during the biennium included support to the Working Party in its efforts to facilitate international trade procedures and update and revise earlier issues of recommendations and develop and use modelling tools to analyse international trade transactions.

17.38 In the biennium 1996-1997, the following activities will be emphasized: (a) cooperation with experts in the various regions to develop and prepare proposals for recommendations to be adopted by the Working Party on Facilitation of International Trade Procedures; (b) development of relevant codes; (c) recommendations on facilitation of existing procedures and alignment of forms used in international trade; (d) issuance of EDIFACT directories containing the rules for trade data interchange; (e) establishment of a central database for the maintenance of the directories; and (f) promotion and dissemination of the work of the Working Party through the UN/ECE journal on trade facilitation and EDIFACT, *Connections*, and other relevant publications and information material.

Activities

1. International cooperation

External relations. Consultation and cooperation, in particular with the regional EDIFACT boards for the Americas, Australia/New Zealand, Asia and Africa, as well as with a number of governmental and non-governmental organizations active in the field of the work programme.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation*. Fifteen reports to the Working Party on Facilitation of International Trade Procedures; 44 reports to the meeting of experts on data elements and automatic data interchange; and 12 reports to the meeting of experts on procedures and documentation;

(b) *Substantive services*. Substantive and technical services will be provided to the meetings of the Working Party on Facilitation of International Trade Procedures, the EDIFACT steering group and a number of working parties and groups of experts.

3. Published material

(a) *Fourteen recurrent publications*. (i) *United Nations Trade Data Interchange Directory* (6); (ii) *United Nations Trade Data Elements Directory* (2); (iii) *Connections* (4); and (iv) *United Nations Code for Ports and Other Locations* (2);

(b) *Non-recurrent publications*. Training material on EDIFACT;

(c) *Technical material*. Reference database in support of EDIFACT; and public database for dissemination and promotion of trade facilitation (EDICORE).

4. Information materials and services

(a) Pamphlets, brochures and other information material for dissemination and promotion of EDIFACT;

(b) *Press releases*. Agreements reached in the field of trade facilitation.

5. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Cooperation and liaison will be undertaken with UNCTAD, the International Organization for Standardization, UPU and the International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Committee.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

17.39 The estimated requirements relate to six posts in the Professional category and above and four General Service posts, which represents an increase of one General Service post proposed to be redeployed from subprogramme 9, Agriculture and timber, to strengthen the subprogramme.

Consultants and experts

17.40 The estimated requirements of $9,700, reflecting an increase of $6,000, would cover the cost of specialized expertise to assist in the dissemination and promotion of trade facilitation methods in countries in transition and to update and revise UN/ECE recommendations on trade facilitation.

Travel

17.41 The proposed requirements of $40,600, comprising an increase of $10,600, relate to attendance at meetings of EDIFACT boards in other regions and EDIFACT steering group meetings, and at consultations with the secretariats of other international organizations so as to coordinate the work programme and to gather information for documents and publications.

Contractual services

17.42 The estimated amount of $7,100 relates to the printing of covers for *Connections*, the *United Nations Trade Data Elements Directory*, the *United Nations Trade Data Interchange Directory* and other printed material.

Subprogramme 5
Economic analysis

Table 17.16 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	5 622.6	6 290.8	239.6	3.8	6 530.4	425.1	6 955.5
Other staff costs	0.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consultants and experts	40.4	44.6	(1.8)	(4.0)	42.8	2.2	45.0
Travel	21.1	67.3	(24.6)	(36.5)	42.7	2.2	44.9
Contractual services	12.0	14.4	—	—	14.4	0.8	15.2
Supplies and materials	8.9	24.3	—	—	24.3	1.2	25.5
Total	**5 705.3**	**6 441.4**	**213.2**	**3.3**	**6 654.6**	**431.5**	**7 086.1**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
		(c) Operational projects	
1 286.8	1 829.6	UNFPA	6 385.8
9.5	304.9	Technical cooperation trust funds	—
1 296.3	**2 134.5**		**6 385.8**
7 001.6	**8 575.9**		**13 471.0**

Table 17.17 **Post requirements**

Programme: Economic analysis

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-5	5	6	—	—	1	3	6	9
P-4/3	10	8	—	—	2	6	12	14
P-2/1	1	4	—	—	1	3	2	7
Total	**17**	**19**	**—**	**—**	**4**	**12**	**21**	**31**
General Service category								
Principal level	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other levels	10	10	—	—	1	8	11	18
Total	**11**	**11**	**—**	**—**	**1**	**8**	**12**	**19**
Grand total	**28**	**30**	**—**	**—**	**5**	**20**	**33**	**50**

17.43 The objectives of the subprogramme are to (a) promote the process of economic reform and the integration of the economies in transition within the European and global economy; (b) provide member Governments with international perspectives on current economic and demographic issues; and (c) promote an integrated approach by members of the Commission to demographic and related socio-economic policies and programmes of national and international relevance and concern.

17.44 The major emphasis in the activities during the biennium 1996-1997 will be on (a) a comprehensive analysis of developments in the economies of central and eastern Europe with special attention paid to the analysis of international trade and structural change in both a regional and long-term perspective, as well as to the effects of integration processes in Europe and North America on non-member countries; (b) provision of international perspectives on economic issues; (c) follow-up to the recommendations of the European Population Conference and the International Conference on Population and Development Programme of Action in the region; (d) coordination of region-wide data collection, analysis, training and technical assistance activities on demographic processes; and (e) maintenance and further development of the specialized macroeconomic database required for retrospective and prospective analysis of economic developments in the region.

Activities

1. International cooperation

External relations. Liaison and cooperation with the European Community and other international institutions dealing with issues of economic research and analysis, including IMF, the World Bank, EBRD, GATT and, in particular, OECD, in order to avoid duplication of efforts.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation. Economic Survey of Europe*, (2), to be submitted to the Commission; *Economic Bulletin for Europe* (2), to be submitted to the Committee on the Development of Trade; two reports to the Senior Economic Advisers to ECE Governments on medium- and longer-term perspectives for the world economy and their implications for transition economies, and on selected aspects of structural changes in the ECE region and their implications for transition economies;

(b) *Substantive services.* Substantive and technical services will be provided to the annual meetings of the Senior Economic Advisers to ECE Governments;

(c) *Seminars for policy makers*. (i) Structural change and the integration of transition economies in the European and the World economies; and (ii) process of economic reforms in the transition economies.

3. Published material

(a) *Six recurrent publications*. (i) Economic studies series (2); and (ii) international migration bulletin (4);

(b) *Twenty non-recurrent publications*. (i) Population trends and population-related issues in countries in transition: the need for international population assistance; (ii) process, causes and consequences of emigration from countries in transition and policy options (5); (iii) status of elderly persons and policy options (6); (iv) family, fertility and fertility-related health aspects and policy options (6); and (v) population-related policies (2);

(c) *Technical material*. Survey questionnaire and code-book for in-depth migration surveys; status of older people; and family, reproduction and related health aspects.

4. Operational activities

Advisory services. Implementation of the European Population Conference recommendations and the International Conference on Population and Development Programme of Action; policy options on international migration, status of older people, family, reproduction and reproductive, maternal and child health, particularly in countries in transition, and population-related policies in the ECE region.

5. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Participation in and coordination with other programmes, bodies and specialized agencies of the United Nations system in the context of the work programme.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

17.45 The estimated requirements relate to 19 posts in the Professional category and above and 11 General Service posts. It is proposed to redeploy three P-2 posts to this subprogramme, one each from subprogrammes 7, Development of international trade and 9, Agriculture and timber, and one from programme support. It is also proposed to redeploy two P-3 posts from this subprogramme, one each to subprogrammes 2, Transport and 7, Development of international trade. Furthermore, it is proposed to establish one P-5 post to strengthen the capacity of ECE to undertake economic analysis in the countries in transition, with special emphasis on privatization and industrial restructuring issues, inflation and labour markets, trade and payments questions, and problems in connection with the integration of transition countries into the European and world economies.

Consultants and experts

17.46 The estimated requirements of $42,800 would be to assist in the analysis of economic developments in the international economy and in ECE member countries, especially those in transition to market economies, and in the preparation of technical and other materials for the Senior Economic Advisers to ECE Governments.

Travel

17.47 The estimated requirements of $42,700, reflecting a decrease of $24,600, relate to coordination of work and cooperation with other international organizations in the area of economic analysis and for consultations with national government and research organizations necessary for the preparation of publications.

Contractual services

17.48 The estimated requirements of $14,400 relate to the external printing of covers for a number of publications under the subprogramme.

Supplies and materials

17.49 The estimated requirements of $24,300 relate to subscriptions and standing orders for publications and technical materials.

Subprogramme 6
Energy

Table 17.18 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	3 282.4	3 520.7	(83.2)	(2.3)	3 437.5	233.1	3 670.6
Other staff costs	0.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consultants and experts	26.2	38.3	(3.4)	(8.8)	34.9	1.9	36.8
Travel	23.9	57.1	(1.7)	(2.9)	55.4	3.2	58.6
Contractual services	0.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	**3 333.0**	**3 616.1**	**(88.3)**	**(2.4)**	**3 527.8**	**238.2**	**3 766.0**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
		(b) Substantive activities	
729.8	593.0	Trust Fund "Energy Efficiency 2000"	650.0
		(c) Operational projects	
—	685.0	Technical cooperation trust funds	1 062.4
729.8	**1 278.0**		**1 712.4**
4 062.8	**4 894.1**		**5 478.8**

Table 17.19 **Post requirements**

Programme: Energy

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-5	2	2	—	—	—	1	2	3
P-4/3	6	4	—	—	2	4	8	8
P-2/1	—	2	—	—	1	—	1	2
Total	**9**	**9**	**—**	**—**	**3**	**5**	**12**	**14**
General Service category								
Other levels	7	7	—	—	—	—	7	7
Total	**7**	**7**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**7**	**7**
Grand total	**16**	**16**	**—**	**—**	**3**	**5**	**19**	**21**

17.50 The objectives of the subprogramme are to (a) ensure that the programme of cooperation in the energy sector responds to changing policy needs and opportunities with emphasis on the needs of economies in transition; (b) promote exchange of views and experience on issues of common interest and formulate recommendations on rational use of energy, emission control, new sources of energy, sustainable development, cooperative research and trade, renewable energy sources, harmonization of energy efficiency standards and incorporation of environmental costs of energy prices; (c) cooperate in the implementation of the European Energy Charter and its Protocol on Energy Efficiency and Related Environmental Aspects; (d) develop or update international classifications, statistics, balances, projects, databases and terminology; and (e) promote the implementation of programmes such as "Energy Efficiency 2000" and the interregional project "Global Energy Efficiency 21".

Activities

1. *International cooperation*

(a) *Promotion of legal instruments*. Under the guidance of the ECE Inland Transport Committee, the secretariat will promote legal instruments, assist in their elaboration and updating and ensure their administration. It is projected that 10 existing legal instruments and some 60 regulations will be amended and 2 to 4 new legal instruments, as well as some 6 new regulations, will be developed;

(b) *External relations*. Liaison and cooperation with other international governmental and non-governmental institutions and organizations such as the Commission of the European Communities, the European Parliament, the European Conference of Ministers of Transport, OECD, the International Union of Railways, the International Road Transport Union, the International Road Federation, the European Free Trade Association, IMO, ICAO, and the Intergovernmental Organization for International Carriage by Rail.

2. *Parliamentary services*

(a) *Parliamentary documentation*. Twenty-three reports to the Committee on Energy; 12 reports to the Working Party on Coal; 9 reports to the Working Party on Gas; 7 reports to the Working Party on Electric Power; and 4 reports to the Steering Committee of the Energy Efficiency 2000 Project;

(b) *Substantive services*. Substantive and technical services will be provided to (a) the Committee on Energy, the working parties on coal, gas and electric power, and the Steering Committee of the Energy Efficiency 2000 Project; and (b) meetings of experts on energy efficiency standards and

labelling systems (2), financial engineering of energy efficiency projects (2), renewable sources of energy, natural gas statistics, and public acceptance and environmental aspects of major regional energy programmes.

3. Published material

(a) *Eight non-recurrent publications.* (i) Classification for assessing coal and mineral resources and reserves under market conditions; (ii) world coal-trade prospects; (iii) prospects of natural gas demand for electricity production; (iv) progress in coal-mine safety; (v) gas market developments; (vi) gas rates, fundamentals and practices; (vii) incentives for renewable sources of energy; and (viii) environmental aspects and public acceptance of coal power generation and developments in Europe;

(b) *Technical material.* ECE energy balances for past and future years (2).

4. Information materials and services

(a) *Booklets, pamphlets, fact sheets, wall charts and information kits.* Two pamphlets on the ECE energy programme;

(b) *Press releases.* Twenty press releases on energy studies and seminars.

5. Operational activities

Group training, including seminars, workshops and fellowships. Workshops on (i) transition of east and central European member States from central planning in the energy sector to market economy systems (10); (ii) Energy Efficiency 2000 Project; (iii) European Energy Charter and its Protocol on Energy Efficiency and Related Environmental Aspects; (iv) accelerating clean coal technologies; (v) market based gas industry in economies in transition; and (vi) interregional project "Global Energy Efficiency 21".

6. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Liaison and cooperation with the Department for Development Support and Management Services, UNDP, IAEA, ILO, WHO and the regional commissions.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

17.51 The estimated requirements relate to nine posts in the Professional category and above and seven General Service posts. It is proposed to redeploy two P-3 posts from this subprogramme, one each to executive direction and management and to programme support, and redeploy two P-2 posts to this subprogramme, one each from subprogramme 8, Agriculture and timber, and programme support.

Consultants and experts

17.52 The estimated requirements of $34,900, reflecting a reduction of $3,400, would provide for expertise related to economic reform and restructuring in the energy industries of economies in transition and sustainable energy developments and to assist in the preparation of publications.

Travel

17.53 The estimated requirements of $55,400, relate to travel for consultations with other departments and programmes of the United Nations at Headquarters, the regional commissions, the specialized agencies and regional and international organizations active in the field of work.

Subprogramme 7
Development of international trade

Table 17.20 **Summary by object of expenditure**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	3 045.2	1 767.7	41.6	2.3	1 809.3	118.1	1 927.4
Other staff costs	0.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consultants and experts	15.9	16.7	(2.0)	(11.9)	14.7	0.9	15.6
Travel	40.0	21.1	2.7	12.7	23.8	1.2	25.0
Contractual services	4.3	13.2	—	—	13.2	0.9	14.1
Total	**3 106.2**	**1 818.7**	**42.3**	**2.3**	**1 861.0**	**121.1**	**1 982.1**

Table 17.21 **Post requirements**

Programme: Development of international trade

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
P-5	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
P-4/3	2	3	—	—	—	—	2	3
P-2/1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Total	**5**	**5**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**5**	**5**
General Service category								
Other levels	3	3	—	—	—	—	3	3
Total	**3**	**3**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**3**	**3**
Grand total	**8**	**8**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**8**	**8**

17.54 The objectives of the subprogramme for the biennium 1996-1997 are to (a) contribute to trade promotion in the ECE region by developing and disseminating information to policy makers and to firms interested in business opportunities and by promoting the exchange of such information and experience among interested private sector participants and trade policy officials; (b) promote conditions for a greater participation of small and medium-sized enterprises in intraregional trade; and (c) create favourable conditions for industrial and investment cooperation between countries in the ECE region.

17.55 In the biennium 1994-1995, studies were prepared on the contribution of foreign direct investment to expansion of trade in the countries in transition and on the impact of the Uruguay Round on intraregional trade. A guide on real property laws was also produced. Further inputs under preparation include studies on promoting the expansion of trade in countries in transition and on financing trade and investment, elaboration of pilot projects of technical assistance in areas of trade and investment promotion, and assistance in organizing workshops.

17.56 During the biennium 1996-1997, the secretariat will undertake a programme of trade analysis in order to (a) assist the European countries in transition to a market economy to elaborate measures aimed at creating

favourable conditions for intraregional trade expansion and structural diversification; and (b) contribute to the understanding of recent and prospective trade and related investment trends, policies and problems through analysis of the relevant experience of the ECE member States.

Activities

1. International cooperation

(a) *Promotion of legal instruments.* Assistance to the Working Party on International Contract Practices in Industry in elaborating a guide for foreign investors on property laws in countries in transition, and in developing model contracts and other trade-related legal instruments;

(b) *External relations.* Liaison on trade and investment issues with other governmental and non-governmental organizations, such as the Council of Europe, the Commission of the European Communities, GATT and EBRD.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation.* Eleven reports to the Committee on the Development of Trade; and two reports to the Working Party on International Contract Practices in Industry;

(b) *Substantive services.* Substantive and technical services will be provided to the annual sessions of the Committee on the Development of Trade and the Working Party on International Contract Practices in Industry.

3. Published material

(a) *Recurrent publications.* Eight issues of *East-West Investment News*;

(b) *Seven non-recurrent publications.* (i) Guide on the role of banks in financing east-west trade; (ii) guide for foreign investors on property laws in countries in transition; (iii) survey on recent trends in foreign direct investment in central and eastern Europe (2); (iv) guide to management training in countries in transition; (v) promoting the expansion of trade of countries in transition; and (vi) expanding trade and investment cooperation among countries in transition.

4. Information materials and services

(a) *Booklets, pamphlets, fact sheets, wall charts and information kits.* Booklet on services and publications of the ECE Trade Division;

(b) *Press releases.* Eight press releases on *East-West Investment News;*

(c) Lectures and seminars will be organized on trade and investment matters; promotion of foreign direct investment in countries in transition; financing of foreign trade; export promotion; and trade with the countries of the European Union for business operators from countries in transition.

5. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Coordination and liaison on international trade activities and investment issues with UNCTAD, the International Trade Centre, the World Trade Organization, ILO, IMF, the World Bank, the regional commissions and other entities.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

17.57 The estimated requirements relate to five Professional category and three General Service posts. It is proposed to redeploy one P-3 post to cover the added responsibilities for trade policy studies from subprogramme 5, Economic analysis, in exchange for one P-2 post.

Consultants and experts

17.58 The estimated requirements of $14,700, reflecting a decrease of $2,000, would provide for assistance on issues such as banking and intellectual property, and to prepare studies and discussion papers for the annual sessions of the Committee on the Development of Trade.

Travel

17.59 The estimated requirements of $23,800, reflecting an increase of $2,700, are proposed in the light of the growing interest of the countries in transition in ECE trade issues, necessitating regular consultations in the field and cooperation and coordination activities with regional intergovernmental organizations and other institutions.

Contractual services

17.60 The estimated requirements of $13,200 relate to the printing of covers of publications under the subprogramme.

Subprogramme 8
Industry and technology

Table 17.22 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	2 956.7	4 192.7	(251.8)	(6.0)	3 940.9	255.8	4 196.7
Consultants and experts	24.0	30.0	—	—	30.0	1.5	31.5
Travel	5.8	22.0	(1.1)	(5.0)	20.9	1.0	21.9
Contractual services	13.3	14.2	—	—	14.2	0.8	15.0
Total	**2 999.8**	**4 258.9**	**(252.9)**	**(5.9)**	**4 006.0**	**259.1**	**4 265.1**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
		(b) Substantive activities	
268.2	—	Trust Fund on the Steel Industry — Structural Change and Development	—
		(c) Operational projects	
—	913.8	Technical cooperation trust funds	457.0
268.2	**913.8**		**457.0**
3 268.0	**5 172.7**		**4 722.1**

Table 17.23 **Post requirements**

Programme: Industry and technology

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-5	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
P-4/3	6	5	—	—	3	1	9	6
P-2/1	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
Total	**11**	**10**	**—**	**—**	**3**	**1**	**14**	**11**
General Service category								
Principal level	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other levels	7	7	—	—	—	—	7	7
Total	**8**	**8**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**8**	**8**
Grand total	**19**	**18**	**—**	**—**	**3**	**1**	**22**	**19**

17.61 The objectives of the subprogramme are to (a) facilitate cooperation in the ECE region in the industrial sectors pertaining to the steel, chemical and engineering industries and automation; (b) create conditions under which ECE members can develop a unified strategy for further diversification of industrial structure; and (c) promote international agreements and instruments on standardization policies and procedures.

17.62 The focus of activities in the biennium 1996-1997 will shift from the identification of problems during the early stages of economic reform to finding possible solutions to those problems compatible with the aims of sustainable development and the integration of transition economies in a global market economy.

17.63 This subprogramme is conducted under the auspices of the Senior Advisers to ECE Governments on Science and Technology and the Working Parties on Steel, the Chemical Industry, Engineering Industries and Automation, and Standardization Policies.

Activities

1. International cooperation

External relations. Liaison and cooperation on questions relating to industry and technology with the Commission of the European Communities, OECD, the International Organization for Standardization, the International Electrotechnical Commission, the World Bank, EBRD, the European Chemical Industry Council, the International Iron and Steel Institute, the International Federation for Medical and Biological Engineering, the International Federation of Robotics, the International Organization of Legal Metrology, the European Committee for Cooperation of the Machine Tool Industries and the European Organization for Testing and Certification.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation.* Two reports to the Senior Advisers to ECE Governments on Science and Technology; six reports to the Working Party on Steel; two reports to the Working Party on the Chemical Industry; one report to the Working Party on Engineering Industries and Automation; and three reports to the Working Party on Standardization Policies;

(b) *Substantive services.* Substantive and technical services will be provided to the meetings of (i) Senior Advisers to ECE Governments on Science and Technology; (ii) Working Party on Steel (2); (iii) Working Party on the Chemical Industry (2); (iv) Working Party on Engineering Industries and Automation (2); and (v) Working Party on Standardization Policies (2); as well as to a number of meetings of experts.

3. Published material

(a) *Sixteen recurrent publications.* (i) *The Steel Market* (2); (ii) *Annual Bulletin of Steel Statistics for Europe* (2); (iii) *Statistics of World Trade in Steel* (2); (iv) *Iron and Steel Scrap: Its Influence on Further Developments in the Iron and Steel Industries*; (v) bulletin of trade in chemical products (2); (vi) five-year survey of market trends for selected chemical products; (vii) *Annual Review of Engineering Industries and Automation* (2); (viii) robot statistics (2); (ix) ECE recommendations on standardization policies; and (x) ECE Standardization List;

(b) *Eight non-recurrent publications.* (i) Restructuring and changing ownership in the steel industry; (ii) bibliography of environmental publications and directory of bodies concerned with the steel industry and the environment; (iii) trends in structural and ownership changes in the chemical industries of the economies in transition; (iv) comparative study of chemical legislation in ECE member countries (2); (v) review of the chemical industry (2); and (vi) updates of the ECE *Directory of Chemical Producers and Products* (2).

4. Information materials and services

(a) *Booklets, pamphlets, fact sheets, wall charts and information kits.* Eight booklets with statistics on the iron and steel industry;

(b) *Press releases.* Press releases on the occasion of the issuance of publications highlighting major developments in industrial sectors and special events.

5. Operational activities

Group training, including seminars, workshops and fellowships related to the programmes of work of the Working Party on Steel and the Working Party on the Chemical Industry on ecological clean-up of polluted chemical sites.

6. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Liaison on industrial, scientific and standardization matters is maintained with UNCTAD, UNDP, UNEP, the regional commissions, UNIDO, ILO, UNESCO, WHO, the World Bank and GATT.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

17.64 The staff resources required for implementation of activities under this subprogramme would comprise 10 posts in the Professional category and above and 8 General Service posts. It is proposed to redeploy one P-4 post to subprogramme 9, Agriculture and timber.

Consultants and experts

17.65 The estimated requirements of $30,000 relate to expert assistance in studies dealing with recent developments in the consumption of and trade in steel; chemical legislation; environmental clean-up of selected chemical production sites; medium- and long-term assessment of engineering industries; science and technology policies; and standards and labelling systems.

Travel

17.66 The estimated requirements of $20,900 are proposed for travel of staff to meetings with European organizations in the field of science and technology, industry and standardization, as well as with the World Bank, OECD and the International Organization of Legal Metrology.

Contractual services

17.67 The proposed resources ($14,200) relate to the printing of covers for a number of publications under this subprogramme.

Subprogramme 9
Agriculture and timber

Table 17.24 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	2 045.4	2 402.1	(647.1)	(26.9)	1 755.0	114.6	1 869.6
Consultants and experts	23.2	26.2	(2.1)	(8.0)	24.1	1.3	25.4
Travel	18.7	23.7	(2.6)	(10.9)	21.1	1.2	22.3
Contractual services	17.1	24.0	(9.8)	(40.8)	14.2	0.5	14.7
General operating expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	**2 104.4**	**2 476.0**	**(661.6)**	**(26.7)**	**1 814.4**	**117.6**	**1 932.0**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
		(b) Substantive activities	
9.8	10.7	Trust Fund for the ECE Study on Long-term Timber Trends and Prospects	10.0
—	—	(c) Operational projects	—
Total	**9.8**	**10.7**	**10.0**
Total (1) and (2)	**2 114.2**	**2 486.7**	**1 942.0**

Table 17.25 **Post requirements**

Programme: Agriculture and timber

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
P-4/3	3	4	—	—	—	—	3	4
P-2/1	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—
Total	**5**	**4**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**5**	**4**
General Service category								
Principal level	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other levels	6	3	—	—	—	—	6	3
Total	**7**	**4**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**7**	**4**
Grand total	**12**	**8**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**12**	**8**

17.68 The objective of the subprogramme is to promote regional integration and sustainable agricultural, forest and forest industries development, with particular attention given to the specific needs of countries in transition towards a market economy, including continuation of the work of experts on the consequences of the Chernobyl accident.

17.69 The programmes of work of both the Committee on Agriculture and the Timber Committee are aligned with the guiding principles and priority areas of ECE, notably with respect to support for (a) economies in transition of central and eastern Europe and (b) sustainable development, the environment and follow-up to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development and the Helsinki Ministerial Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe.

17.70 In the biennium 1996-1997, the focus in timber (forest and forest products) sector will be on short- to long-term sector and market analyses; resource assessment, including the non-wood goods and services of the forest; and cooperation for sustainable enterprise and technology development. Activities in the field of agriculture will emphasize harmonization of agricultural and food statistics and harmonization of standards for trade in perishable food produce.

Activities

1. International cooperation

External relations. Coordination and harmonization of activities with other international organizations and liaison with non-governmental organizations with interests in the fields of food and agriculture, forestry and timber.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation.* Twelve reports to the Committee on Agriculture;

(b) *Substantive services.* Substantive and technical services will be provided to the meetings of the Working Party on Standardization of Perishable Produce and Quality Development (2) and to a number of meetings of experts, study groups, committees, working parties and ad hoc bodies.

3. Published material

(a) *Twenty-six recurrent publications.* (i) Timber and Forest Fire Statistics (12); (ii) ECE/FAO timber and forest study papers (8); (iii) *International Forest Fire News* (4); and the *Timber Committee Yearbook* (2);

(b) *Three non-recurrent publications.* (i) Revised UN/ECE standards for early potatoes; (ii) revised UN/ECE standards for ware potatoes; and (iii) UN/ECE recommendations for bovine carcasses and commercial cuts;

(c) *Technical material.* Maintenance and development of a database on the forestry and forest industry sector.

4. Information materials and services

(a) *Booklets, pamphlets, fact sheets, wall charts and information kits.* Facts about the ECE Timber Committee, and Facts about the Joint FAO/ECE/ILO Committee on Forest Technology, Management and Training;

(b) *Press releases.* Press releases on sessions of the Committee on Agriculture and the Timber Committee.

5. Operational activities

Group training, including seminars, workshops and fellowships. Eight workshops on (i) application of commercial quality standards for perishable produce in countries in transition of central and eastern Europe (2); (ii) topics of interest to countries in transition of central and eastern Europe, as determined by the Timber Committee (4); and (iii) topics of interest to countries in transition of central and eastern Europe, as determined by the Joint FAO/ECE/ILO Committee on Forest Technology, Management and Training (2).

6. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Coordination with specialized agencies of the United Nations system, in particular FAO and ILO, and with Codex Alimentarius in the area of perishable food standards.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

17.71 The estimated requirements relate to four Professional category and four General Service posts and represent a reduction of one Professional and three General Service posts. It is proposed to redeploy one P-4 post to this subprogramme from subprogramme 8, Industry and technology. It is also proposed to redeploy two P-2 posts from this subprogramme to subprogrammes 5, Economic analysis, and 6, Energy, as well as three General Service posts, one each to executive direction and management and subprogrammes 2, Transport, and 4, Trade facilitation.

Consultants and experts

17.72 The estimated requirements of $24,100, reflecting a decrease of $2,100, are proposed for consultancy services in certain activities, notably the study on non-wood goods and services in Europe.

Travel

17.73 The proposed requirements of $21,100 relate to attendance at meetings and consultations with secretariats of international organizations such as FAO and Codex Alimentarius and for follow up to the Helsinki Conference on the Protection of Forests in Europe, and for information and data collection missions and preparation of workshops for countries in transition.

Contractual services

17.74 The estimated requirements of $14,200, reflecting a decrease of $9,800, would cover the cost of printing the UN/ECE recommendations for bovine carcasses and commercial cuts and other material.

Subprogramme 10
Human settlements

Table 17.26 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	1992-1993 expenditures	1994-1995 appropriations	Resource growth Amount	Resource growth Percentage	Total before recosting	Recosting	1996-1997 estimates
Posts	974.2	1 123.8	(474.2)	(42.1)	649.6	42.8	692.4
Other staff costs	0.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consultants and experts	8.0	12.0	(3.4)	(28.3)	8.6	0.4	9.0
Travel	2.5	20.2	—	—	20.2	1.2	21.4
Total	**985.1**	**1 156.0**	**(477.6)**	**(41.3)**	**678.4**	**44.4**	**722.8**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	1994-1995 estimates	Source of funds	1996-1997 estimates
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
—	—	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	—
		(b) Substantive activities	
87.0	121.0	Trust Fund for Human Settlements	140.0
—	—	(c) Operational projects	—
87.0	**121.0**		**140.0**
1 072.1	**1 277.0**		**862.8**

Table 17.27 **Post requirements**

Programme: Human settlements

	Established posts: Regular budget 1994-1995	Established posts: Regular budget 1996-1997	Temporary posts: Regular budget 1994-1995	Temporary posts: Regular budget 1996-1997	Temporary posts: Extrabudgetary resources 1994-1995	Temporary posts: Extrabudgetary resources 1996-1997	Total 1994-1995	Total 1996-1997
Professional category and above								
P-5	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
P-4/3	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
P-2/1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	**3**	**2**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**3**	**2**
General Service category								
Other levels	2	1	—	—	—	—	2	1
Total	**2**	**1**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**2**	**1**
Grand total	**5**	**3**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**5**	**3**

17.75 The objectives of the subprogramme are (a) assistance to countries in transition in reformulating their policies in the field of human settlements; and (b) promotion of sustainable human settlement development.

17.76 Work in the biennium 1996-1997 will focus in particular on reviewing and assessing the status of implementation of policies through (a) country profiles on the housing sector programme; (b) analysis of major trends influencing human settlements development; (c) development of human settlements statistics, including housing and urban indicators; and (d) country case-studies on the strategies for policy implementation in urban renewal and modernization and on activities on cadastral and land registration systems. Special efforts will also be devoted to the ECE contributions to Habitat II in relation to the work carried out by the Committee on Human Settlements, and to the Regional Conference on Transport and Environment, both to be held in 1996.

Activities

1. International cooperation

External relations. Consultations and cooperation with the secretariats of the Council of Europe, OECD, the Commission of the European Communities, the International Organization for Standardization, the International Council for Building Research, Studies and Documentation, the International Federation for Housing and Planning, the International Real Estate Federation, the International Union of Property Owners, and the International Union of Architects, and with non-governmental organizations.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation.* Two reports to the Committee on Human Settlements; two reports to the Working Party on Housing Development, Modernization and Management; and two reports to the Working Party on Sustainable Human Settlements Planning;

(b) *Substantive services.* Substantive and technical services to the annual sessions of the Committee on Human Settlements; the Working Party on Housing Development, Modernization and Management; and the Working Party on Sustainable Human Settlements Planning.

3. Published material

Nine non-recurrent publications. (i) Guidelines on land administration; (ii) strategies on housing modernization and urban renewal; (iii) guidelines on sustainable planning; and (iv) country profiles on the housing sector (6).

4. Operational activities

(a) *Group training, including seminars, workshops and fellowships.* Workshops on human settlements issues related to countries in transition (2) and seminar on housing aspects;

(b) *Field projects.* Two study tours of the Committee on Human Settlements.

5. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Cooperation will be maintained with Habitat, WHO and the regional commissions.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

17.77 The estimated requirements relate to two Professional category and one General Service post. It is proposed to redeploy one P-5 and one General Service post to subprogramme 1, Environment, upon completion of the preparatory work for Habitat II.

Consultants and experts

17.78 The estimated requirements under this heading ($8,600) relate to expertise required for the preparation of studies and publications.

Travel

17.79 The estimated requirements of $20,200 relate to missions for consultation, data collection and research with Governments and relevant intergovernmental organizations.

D. Programme support

Table 17.28 **Summary by object of expenditure**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	2 345.4	3 284.2	(128.1)	(3.9)	3 156.1	201.4	3 357.5
Other staff costs	125.4	158.2	(10.0)	(6.3)	148.2	7.6	155.8
Travel	—	15.0	6.3	42.0	21.3	0.8	22.1
Contractual services	40.0	42.8	(42.8)	(100.0)	—	—	—
General operating expenses	131.7	193.6	150.0	77.4	343.6	17.7	361.3
Supplies and materials	53.4	61.4	—	—	61.4	3.0	64.4
Equipment	331.0	367.9	100.0	27.1	467.9	25.9	493.8
Other expenditures	0.3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	**3 027.2**	**4 123.1**	**75.4**	**1.8**	**4 198.5**	**256.4**	**4 454.9**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
372.7	579.0	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	492.8
		(b) Substantive activities	
61.0	610.0	Trust Fund for Assistance to Countries in Transition	600.0
—	248.0	Trust Fund for Support to ECE Regional Conferences and Meetings, including Preparatory Meetings for Global Conferences	340.0
—	—	(c) Operational projects	—
433.7	**1 437.0**		**1 432.8**
3 460.9	**5 560.1**		**5 887.7**

Table 17.29 **Post requirements**

Programme: Administration and common services

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
P-4/3	3	4	—	—	1	—	4	4
P-2/1	5	3	—	—	—	—	5	3
Total	**8**	**7**	**—**	**—**	**1**	**—**	**9**	**7**
General Service category								
Principal level	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other levels	8	8	—	—	1	2	9	10
Total	**9**	**9**	**—**	**—**	**1**	**2**	**10**	**11**
Grand total	**17**	**16**	**—**	**—**	**2**	**2**	**19**	**18**

Activities

1. Programme planning, budget and finance

Preparation of the biennial programme budgets and performance reports; financial control and certification of accounts; and administration of technical cooperation activities and extrabudgetary resources, including regional advisory services.

2. Human resources management

Administration of staff, including recruitment, placement and career development, in coordination with the Personnel Service of the United Nations Office at Geneva; identification of staff training needs; and staff management relations.

3. General services

Acquisition of equipment, materials and supplies; establishment of ECE policy on electronic-data-processing strategies and acquisition plans; continued development and enhancement of the Integrated Professional Support System of ECE; maintenance of the ECE central statistical database; processing and monitoirng of communications, correspondence, staff travel, management of office space, archives and records management; and operation of the Integrated Management Information System.

4. Meeting, interpretation and verbatim reporting services

Establishment and management of the ECE programme of meetings and documentation; preparation of the facilities and services required, in close coordination with Conference Services of the United Nations Office at Geneva; arrangements for ECE meetings outside Geneva hosted by member Governments and serviced by the United Nations, as well as informal meetings held outside Geneva within the context of the ECE programme of workshops for economies in transition; preparation and organization of documentation and meetings for the annual session of the Economic Commission for Europe and its quarterly ad hoc informal meetings; and preparation and administration of the programme of publications.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

17.80 The estimated requirements relate to seven Professional category and nine General Service posts. It is proposed to redeploy one P-3 post from subprogramme 6, Energy, to undertake increased responsibilities

under administrative and conference services, and two P-2 posts, one each, to subprogramme 5, Economic analysis, and subprogramme 6, Energy.

Other staff costs

17.81 The estimated requirements of $148,200 relate to a provision for general temporary assistance ($102,500) to cover the replacement of staff on extended sick leave and maternity leave, as well as a provision of $45,700 for overtime during peak periods of work. Based on past patterns of expenditure, the provision for general temporary assistance reflects a reduction of $10,000.

Travel

17.82 The estimated requirements of $21,300, reflecting an increase of $6,300, relate to periodic consultations with Headquarters and participation in meetings on administration, personnel, budget and finance, procurement and electronic-data-processing matters.

Contractual services

17.83 It is proposed to discontinue the provision approved in the biennium 1994-1995 as a result of the new policy to administer centrally at Headquarters the resources related to training of staff.

General operating expenses

17.84 The estimated requirements of $343,600, relate to rental of equipment ($61,300) and rental and maintenance of data processing equipment ($282,300), including a provision of $150,000 to install the ECE local area network and its linkages to other international organizations, institutions and member States.

Supplies and materials

17.85 A provision of $61,400 is proposed for electronic-data-processing supplies and materials.

Equipment

17.86 A provision of $467,900 would be required for acquisition ($394,100) and replacement ($73,800) of office automation equipment.